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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST, EUR, FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETEL, PFOR, GW, (SCHMIDT HELMUT)

SUBJECT: BIB-RFE/RL HOLZKIRCHEN MODERNIZATION

REF: STATE 178589

1. MY UNDERSTANDING, BASED ON COMMENTS TO ME BY AMBASSADOR VON STADEN IN WASHINGTON AND STATE SECRETARY SCHUELER IN CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE, IS THAT CHANCELLOR RAISED SUBJECT OF RFE/RL OPERATIONS IN FRG IN GENERAL AND NEW TRANSMITTERS IN PARTICULAR WITH PRESIDENT IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION AT WHITE HOUSE EVENING OF JULY 13. ACCORDING TO THEIR ACCOUNTS, PRESIDENT LISTENED TO SCHMIDT'S PRESENTATION WITH INTEREST AND SAID HE WOULD GIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO THE SUBJECT.

2. SCHUELER STATES IT WAS SUBSEQUENTLY AGREED BETWEEN PRESIDENT AND CHANCELLOR THAT RFE/RL QUESTION WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY WHITE HOUSE ADVISER (HE BELIEVES HAMILTON JORDAN WAS DESIGNATED) ON U.S. SIDE AND SCHUELER ON FRG SIDE. WHEN I SAW SCHUELER JULY 27, HE TOLD ME IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT WHITE HOUSE WAS TO PREPARE PAPER
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ON TRANSMITTER PROBLEM WHICH WOULD BE SENT TO SCHUELER FOR STUDY. SCHUELER SAID NO REPEAT NO FRG ACTION ON LICENSE WAS CONTEMPLATED PENDING RECEIPT OF U.S. PAPER AND OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER IT BY FRG. (NOTE: SCHUELER IS NOW ON LEAVE UNTIL LATE AUGUST.)

3. IN VIEW OF THIS BACKGROUND AND HIGH POLITICAL

SENSITIVITY HERE OF QUESTION OF TRANSMITTER LICENSE, I
DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE TO APPROACH
FRG AUTHORITIES ON THE SUBJECT PENDING CLARIFICATION
WITH WHITE HOUSE OF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF OUTCOME OF
HIGH-LEVEL U.S.-FRG EXCHANGES IN WASHINGTON REGARDING
RFE/RL.
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